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SUBJECT: FEEDLOT INVESTMENT

REF: STATE 189372

1. THE TWO ADC FEEDLOT SITES ARE LANET (AT NAKURU) AND KITALE AND NOT AS MENTIONED IN REFTEL.
 - A. READY MIXED CEMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE AT EITHER SITE. AVAILABLE IN NAIROBI AT US\$45.70 PER TON.
 - B. HEAVY MOBILE CRANES AVAILABLE FOR RENT IN NAIROBI AT US\$59 PER HOUR FOR 14 TON CRANE AND US\$143 PER HOUR FOR 25 TON CRANE.
 - C. TRANSFORMERS ARE AVAILABLE TO STEP 240 VOLT POWER DOWN TO 110; HOWEVER 60 CYCLE MOTORS MUST BE RE-WOUND TO OPERATE AT 50 CYCLE CURRENT.
 - D. PORTABLE WELDING EQUIPMENT NOT AVAILABLE FOR RENT IN NAIROBI.
 - E. MAIZE AVAILABLE BY SACK ONLY. CURRENT PRICE IS US\$6.43 PER 90 KILOGRAM BAG.
 - F. THE PRICE FOR SHELL OIL MUM CATTLE FEED MIX IS US\$0.09 PER LITRE. THIS PRICE IS EXPECTED TO GO UP SOON BY AN UNDETERMINED AMOUNT.

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G. PINEAPPLE PULP FROM DEL MONTE IS AVAILABLE AT THIKA. THIS IS OVER 100 MILES FROM LANET AND 250 MILES FROM KITALE.

H. ABOUT 50 METRIC TONS OF ALFALFA MEAL ARE CURRENTLY COMMERICALLY PRODUCED PER MONTH IN THE NAIVASHA ARE (ABOUT 50 MILES FROM NAKURU) AT US\$85.70 PER METRIC TON FOB. PROTEIN CONTENT RUNS 18-22 PERCENT. LOCAL INTEREST IN PRODUCING MORE IF MARKET DEVELOPS.

2. AN ITALIAN FIRM IS ALSO INTERESTED IN THE ADC FEEDLOTS AND HAS INVITED THE ADC FINANCIAL CONTROLLER TO GO TO ITALY ON SEPT. 22 TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF MACHINERY. IF U.S. FIRMS INTERESTED THEY SHOULD CONTACT ADC SOONEST.
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